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## 6<sup>th</sup> District Difference Makers honored for community betterment

A neighborhood organization, residents and a successful community program were honored during yesterday's 6<sup>th</sup> District town hall meeting (held Thursday, January 21<sup>st</sup>) by **Alderwoman Milele A. Coggs** as **2020 Dr. James G. White 6th District Difference Makers**. The awards are meant to recognize those who go above and beyond to improve the quality of life in the 6<sup>th</sup> Aldermanic District.

Alderwoman Coggs, who presented the awards during the meeting (**held virtually due to the COVID-19 pandemic**), says selfless and dedicated work to better the district, neighborhoods and the community is truly worthy of recognition and thanks. "Each of us should be asking what we can do to make our neighborhood and our community better, and without regard for what personal reward or personal gain may come of it," she said. "Our award winners have consistently shown that compassion and spirit."

"That spirit, mindset and energy is what the Difference Makers Award is all about, as it truly embodies the beliefs and actions of the late Dr. James G. White," Alderwoman Coggs said.

The 2020 Dr. James G. White 6th District Difference Makers Award winners are:

- Theresa Garrison (resident)
- LaRaine Patterson (resident)
- Faith Bledsoe (resident)
- Sweet 16 (block club)

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## 2020 Difference Makers/ADD ONE

- Harambee Neighborhood Improvement District Board (organization)
- Glenn E. Mattison (resident)

Alderwoman Coggs established the Dr. James G. White 6th District Difference Makers Awards to recognize those residents and organizations that work diligently to improve and strengthen the quality of life for themselves, their neighborhood and the City of Milwaukee. Dr. White was a resident of the 6th District who served as a county supervisor and the regional vice president of WestCare Wisconsin Harambee Community Center, facilitating countless neighborhood projects and programs. He used his gifts, talents and knowledge to improve and empower his community.